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Subject: Re: Meeting Request on Second Round Regional Haze Plans

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Administrator Becker,

Thank you very much for your prompt response to our request. While we hoped to discuss the Wyoming and North Dakota proposals, we understand EPA's decision not to hold meetings following the close of the comment periods. With the close of the Utah comment period fast approaching, we are assessing internally whether we would be able to meet before September 18th. If so, I will reach out to Ms. Luevanos to schedule a time. Thank you very much for your offer to meet to discuss the Utah proposal.

Best, Rose Monahan

On Fri, Sep 6, 2024 at 3:14 PM Becker, KC < Becker. KC@epa.gov > wrote:

Dear Ms. Monahan,

Thank you for your September 6, 2024, request to meet with us in late October or early November to discuss your submitted comments on our proposed regional haze second planning period actions for North Dakota, Wyoming, and Utah. Unfortunately, the comment period has closed on our North Dakota and Wyoming actions, and we are declining meetings to discuss submitted comments to pending actions once the comment period has closed. We have determined, after careful consideration, that a 30-day comment period provides adequate time for the public to review the notice and submit comments. We will consider all comments submitted during the public comment period before finalizing the rulemaking.

For the Utah proposed regional haze second planning period action, the comment period closes on Wednesday, September 18, 2024. During the comment period, we are available to meet to receive comments solely on the Utah proposed regional haze second planning period action. If we were to meet during the comment period, we would write a summary of the meeting and add it to the docket. The docket entry would include the names of all participants and a summary of the relevant information received by the agency. If any written materials are provided to EPA during the meeting, these documents will be included in the docket entry.

If you have any questions on these matters, please feel free to contact our counsel, Barbara Nann (nann.barbara@epa.gov) and Leslie Coleman (coleman.leslie@epa.gov).

If you'd like to schedule a meeting by 9/18, please work with Kristen Luevanos, cc'd above, to schedule that.

Sincerely,

KC Becker

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Dear Administrator Becker,

Thank you for your continued interest in clearing the air in our national parks and wilderness areas across EPA Region 8. Sierra Club, on behalf of our coalition partners around the region, would like to request a meeting with you in late October or early November to discuss Regional Haze Implementation Plans for the Second Implementation Period. Sierra Club and our partners have been working with the EPA, state agencies, and other

stakeholders on second implementation of the Regional Haze Rule for more than a decade.

As you know, controlling pollution from sources in your region's states is critical to protecting air quality both within Region 8 and across the country. We were pleased to see EPA Region 8's proposed partial disapprovals of the North Dakota, Wyoming, and Utah Round 2 SIPs that would do nothing to reduce haze pollution. EPA now has an opportunity to advance this administration's environmental priorities and protect overly burdened communities.

We hope to discuss our comments on EPA's proposed partial disapprovals on the North Dakota, Wyoming, and Utah plans and to answer any questions you may have during a meeting with you.

My Sierra Club colleagues and partners from around the region are available for a meeting in Denver between October 21 and November 8. If you are unavailable during this time block, we are happy to suggest alternative times.

Thank you for considering this meeting request. We look forward to continuing to work with Region 8 on this and other important issues.

Sincerely,

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